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D. APPLETON & Co. issue this week the first of three volumes containing the "Memoirs of Mme. de Remusat," edited by her grandson, Paul de Remusat, which have attracted so much attention and excited so much interest abroad. The translation is by Mrs. Cashel Hoey and Mr. John Lillie, who was formerly assistant editor of the *Galaxy*, and is now resident abroad. As one of the most interesting books of personal *ana* published of late years, dealing, as it does, with the France of the First Empire, these Memoirs are sure of a wide sale.

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MR. H. C. LEA has a number of announcements of new medical works: "The Student's Guide to Diseases of the Eye," by Mr. Nettleship, of St. Thomas' Hospital, London; the "Text-book of Physiology," by Michael Foster; "A Manual of Medical Chemistry," for the use of students, by W. H. Greene, M.D.; "Skin Diseases," including their definition, symptoms, diagnosis, prognosis, morbid anatomy, and treatment, by Malcolm Morris; "Roberts on Renal Diseases," a new edition; "Charcot on Nervous Diseases;" "Brunton's Materia Medica;" "Allen's Anatomy;" "Cornil and Ranvier's Pathological Histology;" J. Matthews Duncan's "Lectures on Diseases of Women," a series of clinical lectures delivered in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London; and Woodbury's "Hand-book of Practice."

HARPER & BROS. have ready this week, the important work on "Civil Service in England," by Hon. Dorman B. Eaton, the successor of Mr. Geo. Wm. Curtis, as chairman of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. This is a historical and practical report on the evils of the spoils system in England, and on the successful working of the remedy, and is peculiarly timely in view of the President's message and of the interest in the subject. Mr. Curtis writes an introduction of several pages on the reform in this country. To the *English Men of Letters* is added the volume on "Milton," by Mark Pattison, Rector of Lincoln College, Oxford. Lucien Biart, one of the French writers for boys, has a new book, "An Involuntary Voyage," with illustrations, which will please adventurous readers. The "American Ballads" of Dr. Thos. Dunn English, are collected into a little *Half-hour* book.

THE new issues of Irving which G. P. Putnam's Sons announce will include a library edition which has been in contemplation for some years, and has been deferred only for the "better times" which are now at hand. This *Geofrey Crayon Edition*, in octavo, from new plates and fully illustrated, is to be issued in monthly volumes, commencing in the spring with "Knickerbocker's History of New York." While this will be a subscription series, we are glad to note that the subscription will be through the trade, an arrangement which the trade should appreciate. Mr. Chas. Dudley Warner has occupied some months in studying for and writing his elaborate essay upon Irving, which will form an introduction, and no more fitting pen could have been chosen than his, the inheritor, as it were, of Irving's graces of style and pleasant humor. His paper seems likely to initiate a decided revival of the slumbering interest in this writer of our "classical period." The other *Spuyten Duyvil Edition* will include only his humorous and popular works, in a low-priced issue. These editions give the revised and complete text, which is still generally protected by copyright.

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Imported books are marked with an asterisk; authors' and subscription books, or books published at net prices, with two asterisks; educational books published at "wholesale" prices, with a dagger.

Abbey, H: Poems. N. Y., Appleton, 1879. 149 p. sq. D. cl., $1 50.

Short poems based chiefly upon well-known stories of history. Mr. Abbey is an American, from Kingston, N. Y.; his book first appeared in London, where it received the approval of the English critics. Printed on tinted paper with wide margin.

Adams, *Rev.* J: G., *D.D.* Universalism of the Lord's prayer: words to all Christian churches, and to all mankind. Bost., Universalist Pub. House, 1879. 133 p. D. cl., 50 c.

6 discourses based upon portions of the Lord's prayer.

Allen, Zachariah. Solar light and heat: the source and supply. Gravitation, with expl. of planetary and molecular forces. N. Y., Appleton, 1879. 15 + 241 p. il. O. cl., $1.50.

A sequel to a work by the writer pub. 1851, "The philosophy of the mechanics of nature, and the source of natural motive power." This work "is designed to eliminate and arrange in due order the rudimentary facts and principles therein detailed, and to show their harmony with the laws that control the material universe." This has involved a further research into the origin of molecular forces, of gravitation, as also of solar light and heat, as immediate sources of natural motive power; the results are herein given.

Baird, W: Raimond. Descriptive analysis of the society system in the colleges of U. S., with detailed account of each fraternity. Phil., J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1879. 12°. cl., $1.50.

Baldwin, Maurice S. Life in a look. Montreal, Dawson Bros., 1879. 113 p. D. cl., 50 c.

Homilies on the necessity and nature of the new birth; regeneration in its connection with Christ on the cross; "Looking unto Jesus," or growth in grace.

Bates, Charlotte Fiske. Risk, and other poems. Bost., A. Williams & Co., 1879. 133 p. T. cl., $1.

A number of short poems, sonnets, and tr. from Voltaire, Musset, Reboul and Gautier.

Blackwell, Ja. De Ruyter. Poetical works. In 3 v.: v. 1. N.Y., E. J. Hale & Son, 1879. 224 p. S. cl., $1.50.

120 short poems on various subjects.

Benjamin, S. G. W. The world's paradises; or, sketches of life, scenery and climate in noted sanitaria. N. Y., Appleton, 1880 [1879]. 228 p. S. (Appletons' new handy-v. ser.,' no. 44.) pap., 30 c.

The places described in this v. are: Damascus; Brusa; The Bosporus; Smyrna; Scio; Naples; Corsica; Mentone; The South of France; North of Portugal; The Azores; Channel islands; Isle of Wight; Bahamas; Fort George island; Lake George; Bermudas; Teneriffe; Madeira; Sandwich islands.

Campbell, Rob. Allen. Philosophic chiromancy; mysteries of the hand revealed and explained. St. Louis, Mo., J. W. Campbell, & Co., 1879. 203 p. il. S. cl., $1.50; hf. mor., $2.25; full mor., $3.

Teaches the art of determining, from an inspection of the hands, the person's temperament, appetites, passions, impulses, aspirations, mental endowments, character and tendencies.

Capron, J. Rand. Aurora: their characters and spectra. N. Y., E. & F. N. Spon, 1879. 207 p. 18 pl. 4°. cl., *$17.

Douglas, Amanda M. Hope Mills; or, between friend and sweetheart. Bost., Lee & Shepard, 1880 [1879]. 372 p. D. cl., $1.50.

American story; scene laid in a manufacturing town at the beginning of our late war; a double love-story runs through the book, but the chief object of the author is an endeavor to reconcile the differences of master and man, capital and labor; describes in detail, with statistics, the working of a mill for 5 years on co-operative plan.

Drayton, H. S. How to study phrenology, with hints on co-operation, observation and study; cont. also directions for formation of phrenological societies, with constitution, by-laws, best books to study, first principles or outlines of phrenology, etc. N. Y., S. R. Wells & Co., 1880 [1879]. 24 p. il. D. pap., 10 c.

Eads, H. L. Shaker sermons, scripto-rational; cont. the substance of Shaker theology, with replies and criticisms logically and clearly set forth. Cin., Rob. Clarke & Co., 1879. 3 + 222 p. por. O. cl., $1.

Sermons setting forth the Shaker theology, and criticising the opinions of Beecher, Tyndal, Dr. McCosh, Talmage and Col. Ingersoll. Author, Bishop of South Union, Ky.

Eaton, Dorman B. Civil service in Great Britain: hist. of abuses and reforms and their bearing upon Am. politics. N. Y., Harper, 1880 [1879]. 14 + 469 p. O. cl., $2.50.

Mr. Eaton at the request of Pres. Hayes, personally investigated the operation of the reformed system in England. The present v. cont. a report upon the results of his observation. He takes up the subject with the Feudal Spoils System, and gives a sketch of the corruption and abuses of the governmental parties in the early days of Eng. history, with the first attempts at reform in the 13th century; he continues to trace the progress of reform through the various administrations to the year 1855, when the first order for a civil service commission and competitive examination was issued by the British government. After this follows an account of the workings of the new system, its development from 1860–'70, with other information connected with the subject. 3 appendices cont. letters from prominent English and American gentlemen offering opinions concerning the British civil service, and a brief sketch of civil service reform under Pres. Grant. Index. There is also an introd. by G: W: Curtis, which tells something of civil service reform in the U. S., under the chairmanship of his committee.

Edwards, C: History and poetry of finger-rings; with preface by R. H. Stoddard. [*New issue.*] N. Y., A. C. Armstrong & Son, 1880 [1879]. 239 p. il. D. cl., $1.25.

Curious and interesting information, given in a gossipy way, about finger-rings, under the headings: Rings connected with power; Rings having supposed charms or virtues and connected with degradation and slavery, or used for sad or wicked purposes; Rings coupled with remarkable historical characters or circumstances; Rings of love, affection and friendship. First published in 1854; long out of print. Index.

Eggleston, E., *and* Seelye, Lillie Eggleston. Brant and Red Jacket; incl. account of the early wars of the Six Nations, and the border warfare of the Revolution. N. Y., Dodd, Mead & Co., 1879. 370 p. il. D. (Famous American Indians.) cl., $1.25.

Popularly written history for young people and the general reader, of the lives of Brant, a Mohawk war chief and Red Jacket, a Seneca chief, who both figured in the early French and English wars, and the wars of the Indians before the Revolution.

Flags of all maritime nations, prep. from the most authentic sources, in which are accurately represented the royal standards, en-

sand. N. Y., Appleton, 1879. 11 + 532 p. D.

Ritter, A: Elementary theory and calculation of iron bridges and roofs; tr. by H. R. Sankey. 2d ed. N. Y.

signs, signals, pennants, etc., in use by the nations of the world in their armies, navies and marine service; the international code of signals and the U. S. and Canada yacht club signals; [*also*] correct copies of coats of arms of the states and territories of U. S. and of the various nations of the world. Printed in colors. Phil., W. T. Amies, 1879. 16 p. nar. Q. leath., $2.50; cl., $1.50; pap., $1.

G., C. E. H. Vacation labors. Montpelier, Vt., S. C. Phinney, 1879. 51 p. S. pap., 50 c.
Cont. "Glimpses of the old world and the new," a lecture delivered at Montpelier, Vt., Jan. 16, 1878; "Kan't be kured," essay written for the *Milwaukee Sentinel;* and a translation from the Swedish entitled "A Swedish country minister and his house a hundred years ago." Descriptions of social life of middle classes in Europe and America.

Giles, *Rev.* Chauncey. The second coming of the Lord: its cause, signs and effects. Phil., J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1879. 264 p. D. cl., $1.50.
12 lectures on: The general and special testimony of the scriptures regarding "the second coming;" The end of the world not the destruction of the material earth; The manner of the Lord's coming; The resurrection of man, last judgment, the new age, etc., etc. By the author of "Man as a spiritual being," "The incarnation and atonement," etc.

Gilman, Arthur, *ed.* Shakespeare's morals: suggestive sel. with brief collateral readings and scriptural references. N. Y., Dodd, Mead & Co., 1880 [1879]. 13+9–265 p. D. cl., $1.50.
Sel. of extracts from Shakespeare grouped under topical headings such as: God's providence; The atonement; God's choice of weak means; Nature and grace, etc., etc. These extracts are given to show the great number of biblical allusions made by Shakespeare in his works; in footnotes references are made to the scriptural passage, and collateral readings given. An index is given to the extracts. A list of the scriptural quotations. Index of subjects.

Gilmore, J. H. The English language and its early literature. N. Y., Appleton, 1880 [1879]. 138 p. D. cl., 60 c.
Author, Prof. of Logic, rhetoric and English in the Univ. of Rochester. A text-book on the English language, and the literature of its earliest times; in the form of questions and answers, the answers being quite extended.

Gillmore, Parker. Travel, war and shipwreck. N. Y., E. P. Dutton & Co., [1879]. 5 + 307 p. O. cl., $2.75.
Stories of travel, war, shipwreck and other adventures in all parts of the world. By the author of "The great thirst land," etc.

Gregorovius, Ferdinand. The island of Capri; from the German, by the author's permission, by Lilian Clarke. Bost., Lee & Shepard, 1879. 95 p. S. cl., $1.
Vivid description of scenery, etc., of the island of Capri; a chapter taken from a work well known in Germany, "Wanderjahre in Italien," by an author who is also well known.

Helper, Hinton Rowan. Oddments of Andean diplomacy, and other oddments. St. Louis, Mo., W. S. Bryan, 1879. 480 p. D. cl., $1.50.
Truly an "odd" book. Title-page gives synopsis of the object of the volume, which is to propose a "double-track steel railway from the westerly shores of Hudson Bay to the midway margin of the Strait of Magellan, which should be deflected so far away from Brazil as to cut her off entirely from its boundless benefits, so long as her antiquated and antagonistic system of government remains imperial or otherwise monarchial." The volume is made up of letters to and from the author, who is celebrated as the writer of "The Impending Crisis," and "who has voluntarily and irrevocably emitted from himself, and deposited in the Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, Mo., $5000 for five of the best attainable essays, three in prose and two in poetry, in promotion of the immensely needed and matchlessly grand North and Central and South American Longitudinal Railway, projected." Index.

Homiletical and pastoral lectures; del. in St. Paul's Cathedral before the Church Homiletical Soc.; with preface by the Right Rev. C. J. Ellicott, D.D. N. Y., &. C. Armstrong & Son, 1880 [1879]. 13 + 530 p. D. cl., $1.75.
Del. at various periods during the past 5 years. There are 20 sermons by the Rev. W. Thomson, archb. of York; Rev. H. Goodwin, Bishop of Carlisle; Rev. A. W. Thorold Bishop of Rochester; Rev. F. H. Tetcomb, Bishop of Rangoon; and numerous other prominent English clergymen.

Illustrated Catholic family annual for 1880. (Twelfth year.) N. Y., Catholic Pub. Soc. Co., 1879. 116 p. il. S. pap., 25 c.

King, H: T. The egotist: essays on life, its work and its fortunes, its joys and its sorrows, its success and its failures. Phil., Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger, 1880 [1879]. 270 p. D. cl., $1.50.
195 brief essays, written in a condensed style, and aiming to strike vigorously at "meanness, littleness, selfishness, greed, oppression, sycophancy, hypocrisy, crawling, cringing.

Linton, W. J. Some practical hints on wood-engraving for the instruction of reviewers and the public. Bost., Lee & Shepard, 1879. 5+92 p. il. sq. S. cl., $1.25.
Chapters on: Noble simplicity; Fac-simile; White-line; Mechanism and art; Photography on wood. Chiefly written in answer to adverse criticisms made by reviewers on an article by the author on "Art in engraving on wood," published in the last June number of the *Atlantic Monthly.*

Maberly, J. The print collector: an introd. to the knowledge necessary for forming a coll. of ancient prints; with an app. cont. Fielding's treatise on the practice of engraving; ed. with notes, an account of contemporary etching and etchers, and a bibliography of eng., by Rob. Hoe, Jr. N. Y., Dodd, Mead & Co., 1880 [1879]. 8 + 336 p. il. sq. O. cl., $6.
This is a complete reprint of the original English ed.; elegantly printed on fine paper, uncut edges, broad margins, and il. with fac-similes of celebrated engravings, etchings, 3 plts. of marks and monograms, and a plate of tools used in eng. and etching. It is a work for amateur collectors, and gives information and directions regarding collecting in general, and print-collecting in particular; on classification, selection, prices of prints; the extent or limit of a collection; care and keeping of prints; mode of commencing collector; old and new systems; books on engraving. This is followed by: Catalogues of the works of individual engravers; the greater part of T. H. Fielding's work, "The art of engraving" (London, 1844), which is in the form of an instruction-book, telling what tools and materials to select, how to use them, etc.; an account of contemporary etching and engraving; catalogue of Dürer's eng. on copper and etchings; catalogue of Dürer's wood eng.; table of the whole edited works of Rembrandt; and a bibliography.

McCarthy, Justin. Donna Quixote: a novel. N. Y., Harper, 1879. 78 p. Q. (Franklin sq. lib., no. 95.) pap., 15 c.
The heroine of this novel, a beautiful young English widow, belonging to the best class of English society, and possessing a moderate fortune, earns for herself the title of "Donna Quixote," through her well-meaning but quixotic efforts to aid all kinds of strange and odd people in their difficulties.

Matthews, J. Brander, *ed.* Comedies for amateur acting, with prefatory note on pri-private theatricals. N. Y., Appleton, 1880 [1879]. 245 p. S. (Appletons' new handy-v. ser., no. 46.) pap., 30 c.
Cont.: an original one-act comedy by Julian Magnus and H. C. Bunner, entitled "A bad case" (written for this v.), and 5 other short plays, taken from the French; A trumped suit, by Julian Magnus; Courtship and variations, by H. C. Bunner; A teacher taught, by A. H. Oakes; Heredity, by Arthur Penn; Frank Wylde, by J: Brander Matthews. In all cases, the French play and author are quoted.

Moffitt, W. O., *ed.* National temperance songster: coll. of original temperance songs, set to familiar tunes. N. Y., Nat. Temp. Pub. House, 1879. 62 p. S. pap., 10 c.

Morris, *Rev.* D: Class-book history of England; il. with woodcuts and hist. maps. 15*th thou-*

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sand. N. Y., Appleton, 1879. 11+532 p. D. cl., $1.25.

History of England from the Roman period down to Victoria; "compiled for pupils preparing for the Oxford and Cambridge local examinations, the London University matriculation and for the higher classes of elementary schools." The first American ed. from the 15th English.

National Temperance almanac and teetotaller's year-book for 1880; [ed.] by J. N. Stearns. N. Y., Nat. Temp. Pub. Soc. and Pub. House, [1879]. 64 p. il. S. pap., 10 c.

Ober, F: A. Camps in the Caribbees: the adventures of a naturalist in the Lesser Antilles. Bost., Lee & Shepard, 1880 [1879]. 18+366 p. il. O. cl., $2.50.

Narrates the adventures and discoveries of the author, corresponding member of the N. Y. Academy of Science, on a two (1876–'78) years' expedition, under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institute, in the Lesser Antilles, in which he secured 18 new species of birds hitherto unknown except to the natives, including the heretofore invisible "sunset bird." Il. with cuts from photographs of scenery, the natives, towns, and spots of local interest. A work of reliable information, and also of amusing adventure.

O'Donoghue, Alfred H. Theology and mythology: inquiry into the claims of Biblical inspiration and the supernatural element in religion. N. Y., C: P. Somerby, 1880 [1879]. 3–194 p. D. cl., $1.

"This little book," the author states, "is written in no spirit hostile to the religious sentiment of mankind. It seeks merely to eliminate what is purely false, without foundation in fact, and fictitious in Christianity as now taught."

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		r		Smith, Mrs. M. Stat.; also P. M.
				NEWBURGH, Orange. 17,322. m. t. Am. and U. S. Br. N.Y., L. E. & W. and Hudson River. United States H., Orange H. Highland Nat. Bk., Nat. Bk. of Newburgh, Quassick Nat. Bk.
		r	n f	Callahan, Wm. H. Stat., fcy. gds., news, tob.
P☞				Carter, Edward. Pub. directories and R. R. hand-bks. 1866.
	g	r	n	Dickey, J. M. Bks. (gen.), stat., news. 1870.
	G	r		Green, Geo. W., Jr. Bks. (gen.), stat., eng. 1854.
	e	r☞	n	Sansbury News Co. (H. Garner; J. S.). News, bks. (ed.), stat. (new and 2d hd.). 1865. *Suc.* Mrs. C. Sansbury.
	g	r	f	Smith, Daniel. Bks. (gen.), stat., fcy. gds. 1842.
				NEWPORT, Herkimer. 1790 (700). m. Am. 12 m. from Herkimer. Nat. Bk. of Newport.
		r		Keeler, H. B. Conf., stat.; also P. M.
	e	r		Langstaff, Geo. Drugs, bks. (ed.), stat.
				NEW ROCHELLE, Westchester. 4678 (3850). m. t. Adams. N. Y., N. H. & H. Nearest bk. Mt. Vernon.
	g	r		Strong, Benj. Bks. (gen.), stat.
				NEW YORK MILLS, Oneida. 4368 (1300). m. t. D., L. & W. 4 m. from Utica. Nearest bk. Utica.
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The Publishers' Weekly.

F. LEYPOLDT, *Bibliographical Editor.*
R. R. BOWKER, *General Editor.*

DECEMBER 13, 1879.

PUBLISHERS are requested to furnish title-page proofs and advance information of books forthcoming, both for entry in the lists and for descriptive mention. An early copy of each book published should be forwarded, to insure correctness in the final entry.

The trade are invited to send "Communications" to the editor on any topic of interest to the trade, and as to which an interchange of opinion is desirable. Also, matter for "Notes and Queries." Notes from librarians will also be gratefully received.

In case of business changes, notification or card should be immediately sent to this office for entry under "Business Notes." New catalogues issued will also be mentioned when forwarded.

"*Every man is a debtor to his profession, from the which, as men do of course seek to receive countenance and profit, so ought they of duty to endeavor themselves by way of amends to be a help thereunto.*"—LORD BACON.

PERIODICALS IN THE TRADE.

WE pointed out in our last issue, in connection with the Missouri movement, what the retailers may fairly and with some prospects of success ask of publishers in the matter of books. In the case of periodicals the retailers are, if possible, a little worse off, between the Scylla and Charybdis of the publishers and the news companies, against whom their protests are alternately directed. Meanwhile the news companies have the same grievance against the publishers, and the publishers object in their turn to the power and methods of the associated news companies. It is a triangular quarrel, in which each party is defended against the two others by their division between themselves.

The evil against which the retailers and news companies alike complain is the growth of the club system and the subscription agencies built upon it. It is very questionable whether the club system—a clever device for the first publishers who hit upon it—has any longer the effect of adding to the subscription-list of periodicals. Like its successor, the "premium" system, it has been very much abused, and it has probably worked harm to the normal method of making sales for periodicals. That it does not work fairly toward the regular distributors—the news companies and retail dealers—is sufficiently evident. The news companies suffer little if any direct loss, for, with abundant capital obtained from the deposits of newsdealers and with no need of taking risk on unsold copies, they are well protected on both sides, and one reason why publishers hold to the direct sales, especially the club system, is in fact the fear of increasing the power already centralized in this direction. But the retailer has no such resources of power. If it were not for the direct conflict of the club and regular sales system, the business of the news companies would doubtless be still larger and more profitable, but the loss here is negative. The retailer's loss is too often positive. He has no margin from which to make up his losses on unsold goods. The club price, postage paid, to any person, is put so low that the news company price is necessarily, with postage or freight additional, higher, so that the man who has to sell again, taking both the risk and the considerable labor, actually must pay more per copy than his own customer. He is driven into giving up keeping stock, except such as he can actually return, and becoming a "club" or a "subscription agency." The growth of these latter is a very serious matter, for most of them perform no real service, simply transmitting to the publisher a subscription that would otherwise come to him direct or through the regular trade, letting the publisher do all the work of delivery, and deducting a round commission for which nothing has been done. If there were free and full competition in the wholesale news business, so that the publishers would not feel that they were putting themselves entirely in the hands of a centralized and unchecked power, many of them to-day would be glad to take steps to correct, in their own interest, the evils they recognize, and the retailer also would be more a free agent; but the great organizing and executive ability which have joined to make the associated news companies what they are, have so far easily driven all newcomers out of the field.

There is no problem in the trade more beset with difficulties than this of the price of periodicals, and in making any recommendations to publishers, retailers need to recognize the difficulties on both sides. But there can be no question that the man who does the work and takes the risk of selling should have fair compensation therefor; and one point ought easily to be gained, that the publishers should not, under any guise, give an advantage to the purchaser of a single copy, whether for one issue or fifty-two, without giving a corresponding increase of advantage to the dealer who saves him the work of handling ten or fifty or a hundred copies every publication day.

"The Fireside Encyclopædia of Poetry" and

teen I was in entire charge of the establishment.

THERE is pretty sure to be a considerable revival of interest in copyright questions before long. The coming suit of Chas. Scribner's Sons against J. M. Stoddart & Co., for infringement of their copyrights in certain American articles in the tenth volume of the "Encyclopædia Britannica," which they have carefully protected, is likely to be of interest in its bearings both on domestic and on international copyright. It is understood that G. P. Putnam's Sons will also bring suit against the publishers of the so-called volume of "Irving's Works," on a common law basis, which will throw some interesting light on certain relations of copyright.

THOSE booksellers who have to meet the frequent difficulty of school-board statements in opposition to the trade—usually made in ignorance alike of prices, costs and methods—will do well to obtain from Mr. M.V. B. Kennedy, of Zanesville, O., his broadside reprint of an article originally published in the Zanesville *Courier* of Nov. 8th. It is too long to be given in our columns, and we can only say that it summarizes excellently the facts and arguments going to show that school boards would make a poorer fist at the book business than legitimate dealers.

RECENT POST-OFFICE DECISIONS AFFECTING PUBLISHERS.

From *U. S. Official Postal Guide*, December, 1879.

165. A DRAFT, accepted or unaccepted, is first-class matter. In either case it is held as being the "expression of a monetary value." (Section 232.)

169. No printed paper filled out in writing which has the "expression of a monetary value" can pass in the mails at less than letter rates of postage; that such matter may be left unsealed will make no difference in the rate of postage as above stated. (Section 232.)

170. The Post-office Department or its revenues are not liable for the loss or damage of any mail matter; but when any valuable matter is missing the Department will use its best efforts to assist the owner to recover the same. (Section 497.)

172. The Post-office Department has not issued any order declaring matter unmailable because of the omission of the county in the address; but it is desired that the county should be included, except in the case of well-known cities. (Section 432 *b*.)

181. The use of a printed signature to partly written and partly printed papers having "the expression of a monetary value" does not alter their character as first-class matter. (Section 232.)

185. Publishers who desire to send "orders for subscription" inclosed in their publications should examine sections 233 and 234, P. L. & R., and be careful in printing on such orders only what is therein permitted.

THE HOLIDAY TRADE IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 8, 1879.

THE "harvest season"—which is looked forward to with longing expectation by the mercantile community throughout Christendom, when the hearts of the public are softened, and their purses loosened, by tender reminiscences and expectant pleasures—is almost here. It has been customary to make a special display for the temptation of the public while in this condition—all the good things, costly and cheap, which the merchant has with foresight or otherwise accumulated. This is especially so of our own trade, which has a certain class of stock only in demand at that period, and which at other seasons of the year is carefully laid away and labelled, to do service again when the time comes. The comparatively small list of new holiday books this year will enable the retailers to bring these forward with full force; for when the public see that their insatiable desire for "new works" cannot be gratified to the same extent as heretofore, they must, of necessity, fall back on many a good work that has been slighted on account of previous over-production. This is every way desirable; and those who have thus far lamented the scarcity will, we think, in the end rejoice, and perhaps change an impression that was gradually fastening upon them, that the "Trade Sale" was a most excellent medium for making them the receiving vault, as it were, for remainders and "plugs."

The task of displaying the stock has been performed during the last few weeks, and all are now anxiously awaiting the rush. The skirmishers are out in full force, and judging from the amount of pricing done, especially in the large sets and more expensive works, the prospects are of the brightest.

Messrs. J. B. Lippincott & Co. have two handsome works suitable for the holidays—Keane's "Early Masters" and "Thackeray's Ballads"—both of which have been previously noticed. These are the only novelties, with the exception of the juveniles, presented by this house this year; but last year's publications, together with their long list of standard works, such as "Allibone," "Lippincott's Biographical Dictionary," "Chambers' Encyclopædia," Prescott, Irving, Bulwer, Thackeray, Dickens, etc., make up a list from which a selection can be made that will be both useful and valuable. Their general assortment of stock for this season surpasses that of any previous year, much care and attention having been devoted to their selection. In addition to American publications, they have a large stock of English standards and rare and curious books—many of which are in sumptuous bindings—as well as all the late and important new works published in England.

Messrs. Porter & Coates are making a fine showing in their new store, and have taken every advantage their show-windows afford them for making a fine display. In this respect there are but few windows on Chestnut Street that will equal them. Their arrangement is artistic, and shows skill of the highest order in the art of window-dressing. Mr. Edward Campion, who has charge of their windows, deserves great credit; for, without exception, they are the finest we have ever seen in any book-store.

"The Fireside Encyclopædia of Poetry" and "Children's Book of Poetry" are the leading attractions of their own publication, and the former promises to be in as great a demand as ever. Their fine stock of rare editions of works are displayed to their best advantage. Their juveniles are very popular, and the demand for them is all that the publishers desire.

The religious book-stores, which mostly centre on Chestnut Street, have not been behind their more worldly companions, but have put on their holiday attire, yet with becoming modesty, and with regard to that which is truly orthodox. Mr. W. J. Kelly, who has charge of the retail department of the Presbyterian Board, has managed to collect an excellent assortment of good solid reading, such as is supposed to be eminently suitable for those whose trade is catered for. The handsome windows have been tastefully dressed by Mr. Kelly, and the interior arrangements are superior to those of any other season. The Baptist Board and the American Sunday-School Union are not behindhand, and their windows are tastefully filled with their specialties.

Marcus Ward & Co. are usually overwhelmed by the rush for Christmas and New Year's cards, of which they have a magnificent assortment this year. These, in addition to their papeteries, pocket-books, and other specialties, are in great demand, and will keep them busy till the end of the year.

Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger have no new works for this season; but their new editions of their well-known standards, in attractive bindings, will be in demand for holiday presents. They make quite a handsome display of standard miscellaneous works in fine bindings.

One of the most disastrous fires that has taken place of late years in this city happened on December 1st. By it Messrs. A. M. Collins' Son & Co., card manufacturers, were burned out, with a loss of nearly $80,000; Megargee Bros., paper manufacturers, loss $50,000; John A. Haddock, job printing, loss $13,000; William Hart, lithographer ,loss $20,000; C. J. Gilbee, card gilder, loss $6000, and F. & J. W. Johnson, law publishers, who had a quantity of stock stored in the building, loss $60,000. About two thirds of the loss is covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have originated among a lot of waste paper in the cellar belonging to A. M. Collins' Son & Co.

C. E. B.

A PHILADELPHIA PUBLISHER.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Herald* reports a pleasant interview with Mr. J. B. Lippincott, whom he describes as "a man of medium height, well built, with a bright, animated expression, wearing a white moustache and chin whiskers; frank in his manners, simple in his dress, entirely devoid of the ostentation usual in men who have risen from small beginnings to commanding positions." After interesting reminiscences of his relations with authors, the reporter obtained the following interesting bit of autobiography: "I was born in Burlington County, N. J. My ancestors were Quakers. I never tell my age, but I came to Philadelphia more than fifty years ago to seek my fortune. I was a very little fellow then, and obtained a situation in a small book-store. By the time I was eighteen I was in entire charge of the establishment. Before I was of age I was in business for myself on the southwest corner of Fourth and Race Streets, which was my first purchase of property in Philadelphia. In 1850 the business had proved so profitable that I had made what thirty years ago was considered quite a fortune. But instead of retiring I purchased the stock and good-will of Grigg, Elliott & Co., at that time the largest book jobbing house in the United States. I introduced important changes into the business management, greatly increased the list of publications and improved their character. Mr. Grigg was considered a giant of a bookseller, yet his whole stock could be packed in one of the smallest of our rooms. We made more books in one month than he made in a year. Our daily outlay is more than his yearly expenses, and the entire income derived from his business would scarcely pay the rent and insurance of this establishment. Twenty-nine printing-presses are kept constantly running to meet the demands of our business. The average number of books printed by them is 2,000. Our business extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from Newfoundland to Texas. From 25,000 to 30,000 boxes of books are annually shipped to our various customers, and about 100,000 express packages. The cost for boxes and packages amounts some years to $25,000. It was humorously said of a complete packing-house in Cincinnati that a hog was driven in at one door and came out of the other a ham. So a manuscript is brought into this establishment and comes out a bound volume. The entire book is manufactured under this roof. Here it is printed, bound, published, sold, and distributed."

AUTHORS AT WORK.

GEORGE EBER's forthcoming novel will be called "The Sisters."

MRS. OLIPHANT's forthcoming story is called "The Greatest Heiress in England."

MRS. LUCY HAMILTON HOOPER will shortly publish a novel called "Under the Tricolor; or, The American Colony in Paris.

A NEW work on "The Emotions," by James McCosh, LL.D., of Princeton College, New Jersey, is presently to be published.

MISS BRADDON has just completed her revision of the most popular of "The Arabian Nights," namely, Alladin, Sinbad, and Ali Baba. Her version, illustrated by Gustave Doré and other artists, will be published at once.

IT is rumored Mr. Anthony Trollope is engaged upon a somewhat elaborate work, of which Cicero is the subject. Mr. Trollope, it may be remembered, contributed a volume on Cæsar to *Ancient Classics for English Readers.*

ARTHUR GILMAN, notes the *Literary World,* is a sufficiently steadfast worker. Having this year published his Chaucer and "Shakespeare's Morals," he is at work on the "Cyclopædia of Religious Poetry," which will be ready next year, has also in hand a history of England, and has completed, but not yet published, a "Bible Glossary."

CHARLES YRIARTE, whose beautiful work on "Venice" is just published, is engaged upon a similar work, devoted to the history, art, and industries of Florence. It will be even more abundantly illustrated than the "Venice," and will be a perfect storehouse of examples of Tuscan art, particularly in its subordinate phases, as applied to design.

STATIONERY NOTES.

THE pen manufacturers, in view of the advance in the cost of steel and coal, are agitating the subject of advancing their prices. The advance spoken of will be about five cents per gross, but it is not probable that anything will be done before the new year.

A MEETING of the creditors of A. H. Nelson, of New Orleans, was held last week at the Stationers' Board of Trade, and a respite or extension was recommended to the court in which his affairs are now pending. The interests of the creditors have been placed in the hands of the Stationers' Board of Trade.

AMONG the latest gelatine copying processes is the "Copy-roller," devised by Willy Wallach. Instead of the pan, a roller of a rolling-pin shape, covered with the gelatinous compound, is used to take the impression. G. W. Hanna & Co., of Chicago, have a device of the same character, which is called the "Rotascribe," or wheel-writer. The same principle is involved in its application. The "Rotascribe" can be used to make a transfer to a blank-book, or where the sheet gelatine cannot be employed.

BUSINESS NOTES.

DENVER, COL.—Z. K. Butler, lately with Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., Cincinnati, is now in New York City buying a stock of stationery, with a view to beginning business at Denver, Colorado. He will be associated with an uncle, under the style of Z. K. Butler & Co.

HOUSTON, TEXAS.—Horace T. Burke, bookseller, etc., has sold out to W. J. Hancock, Jr.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Ashmead Bros., booksellers and stationers, have removed to larger and more accessible quarters on 21 West Bay Street, where they will be happy to see their friends.

PERSONAL MENTION.

MR. GEORGE ROUTLEDGE, of Stone House, Cumberland, and the head of the well-known publishing firm, has been named for appointment as high sheriff of Cumberland, his native county.

HUMORS OF THE TRADE.

"THE Last Flute" was what a customer asked for at Henry Holt & Co.'s the other day. "The First Violin" filled the bill.

"EYESIGHT, AND HOW TO CONFER IT," is a new book announced by an exchange, which should sell widely in blind asylums. But did our contemporary ever hear of "Eyesight, and How to Care for It"?

LITERARY AND TRADE NOTES.

THE *Literary World* for December 6th is at hand, with thirty-two pages, double its usual number—evidence of prosperity that all lovers of good journalism will be glad to see.

THE PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY is mistaken in saying that "Hezekiah Butterworth" is a pseudonym. It is the everyday name of the assistant editor of the *Youth's Companion*, of Boston.—*Examiner.*

THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY regret to announce that their hoped-for book, "Hong Kong to the Himalayas," will not be ready this year, the author having been prevented from finishing it in time.

D. LOTHROP & CO. now issue an illustrated red-line edition of the "Pilgrim's Progress," small quarto, uniform with their red-line editions of "The Golden Treasury," "The Book of Praise," "A Garland from the Poets," etc.

J. FITZGERALD & CO., New York, have begun the publication of a *Humboldt Library of Popular Science Literature*, similar in shape to the *Franklin Square Library*. The first number contains Proctor's "Light Science for Leisure Hours."

MR. GEO. MUNRO announces in his *Seaside Library* an edition, revised and written up to date, of Barnum's autobiography, "Struggles and Triumphs; or, Forty Years' Recollections of P. T. Barnum, by himself." 200,000 are to be printed.

A. C. ARMSTRONG & SON do not now expect to have ready the promised "Life of Alexander Duff" before the turn of the year. It is stated that the increased amount of matter for the second volume has caused this change in the programme.

PETER G. THOMPSON, Cincinnati, to meet the demand for a popular and low-priced edition of the "Cincinnati Society Blue-Book," has put up a small number in plain blue cloth at $2. After the sale of this edition the book will be out of print.

HARPER & BROS. announce a satisfaction with the reception of their *Young People* that justifies them in doubling its size, which with larger type and other improvements will do very much toward bringing the boys over from trash to good reading.

AMONG the attractions of the *Atlantic* for 1880 will be Mr. Howells' new story, which will be called "The Undiscovered Country," and will begin in January, to run through six or more numbers; and also serials by Henry James, Jr., and by T. B. Aldrich.

PORTER & COATES have just published an "Elementary Algebra," designed as a first book of algebra for all grades of students, by Thomas K. Brown, teacher of mathematics at Westtown School, Pa. This book, it is claimed, differs from others of similar scope in two important particulars—in that it is a natural development of the principles of algebra rather than a scientific statement of them, and in the treatment of nearly all the topics the easier examples are introduced as mental exercises, intended to be solved orally, with the book open before the student. These important features are expected to claim the attention of all who are interested in this important study.

MR. ESCOTT's book on "England: its People, Polity, and Pursuits," is stated to be from beginning to end wholly new, and the result, not only of long labor on the part of the author, but throughout of his personal observation and experience. Henry Holt & Co. have decided not to attempt to get it out till the turn of the year.

HOUGHTON, OSGOOD & CO. have just issued a neat and admirable catalogue of their *Riverside* "British Poets," now complete in sixty-eight volumes, at $1.75, or $100 the set. Under each poet are given critical passages from leading authorities, characterizing his work and defining his place, so that the catalogue is a little manual on standard British poetry. A neat catalogue of the poetry in general on their list is also issued.

MR. S. S. CONANT has printed in a neat pamphlet the article on "International Copyright," furnished by him to *Macmillan's Magazine* at the request of its editor, the scarcely ingenuous reply signed "C." with which it was weighted in the same number, and his own rejoinder, which was refused admission to the *Magazine*, but printed by the *Academy* at the suggestion of the *Macmillan* editor. We have already given extracts from each, but together they point a decided moral.

THE publishers of the *Atlantic Monthly* have prepared for subscribers to any of their periodicals, a superb life-size portrait of Oliver Wendell Holmes, uniform in size and style with the portraits of Longfellow, Bryant, Whittier, and Lowell, heretofore published. It is a most admirable and speaking portrait, in the perfection of lithography. This excellent portrait, or any one of the others above named, is furnished to subscribers, for one dollar, by the publishers, Houghton, Osgood & Co., Boston.

TOWNSEND & CO., Philadelphia, have just issued "Jacob's Ladder; or, More than Leaves," by James Merrifield. It is a small quarto of about one hundred or more blank pages, with various printed headings. The first column is intended to be the depository of the picture of the mind or thought most impressed after hearing the sermon or reading the Scriptures. Similar ideas can be carried out in many other forms, which are provided in additional columns. Price, $3.

A NEW edition has just been issued by Houghton, Osgood & Co., of Dr. Alvan Lamson's important and learned work on "The Church of the First Three Centuries; or, Notices of the Lives and Opinions of the Early Fathers, with special reference to the Doctrine of the Trinity; illustrating its Late Origin and Gradual Formation." This is by no means a tract in disguise, but a careful historical survey of a period and a question which never lose their interest for thoughtful persons.

IN connection with the edition of Hume's England, issued by Mr. Worthington in red cloth binding, from the well-known Little, Brown & Co. plates, the *Tribune* says: "When it was first made, John Murray, anxious to secure a 'Hume' to match his 'Gibbon,' purchased the right to use this one with his own imprint. Nothing was said about it in public at the time, and before long it got to be a common belief that Mr. Murray had made the plates, and that Little, Brown & Co. had imported from him. This goes to show once more that as handsome books can be made on this side of the water as on the other. Another and rather amusing illustration of the same fact came out some months ago. When Henry Holt & Co. published Symonds' "Renaissance in Italy," a widely-known weekly paper in reviewing it spoke of the printing as English work. The truth is that the book, plates and all, was made here."

A GERMAN lady of Göttingen is translating the novels of E. P. Roe into German.

THE *Contemporary Review* for December will contain a series of letters on the Lord's Prayer, addressed to the clergy, by Mr. Ruskin.

MRS. BRASSEY's new book, "Sunshine and Storm in the East," was to be published by Messrs. Longmans & Co. this month. Mudie has taken 1500 copies.

THE "Biblical Museum," vol. vi., Old Testament section, containing the Book of Psalms, "Biblical Things not Generally Known," vol. ii., are announced for immediate publication in London by Mr. Elliott Stock.

THE holiday issue of the *Bibliographie de la France* is a handsome number of 288 pages, all of which are publishers' advertisements. The editors, by way of encouragement, offer two pages of index to the advertisements.

THE new bibliographical monthly, *Le Livre*, is to appear in Paris January 10th. Each issue will be in three parts; the first technical and bibliophile, on Holland paper, with illustrations; the second critical studies on recent books; the third advertisements collecting sales-lists of second-hand booksellers under the somewhat inflated title of "Le Bibliographie-Bibliographique." The subscription price is forty francs.

OF the latest of the several series on English literature and *littérateurs*, "The English Poets: Selections with Critical Introductions by Various Writers," edited by Mr. T. H. Ward, the first two volumes are nearly ready abroad. The principal work has been distributed as follows: Vol. i. (from Chaucer to Donne): General Introduction, Mr. Matthew Arnold; Chaucer, the editor; Pier's "Plowman's Vision," Prof. Skeat; Gower, etc., Mr. T. Arnold; The Early Scottish Poets, Prof. Nichol and others; The Ballads, Mr. A. Lang; Early Sixteenth Century Poets, Mr. J. C. Collins; Sackville and Spenser, the Dean of St. Paul's; Shakspeare's Sonnets, etc., Prof. Dowden; and Minor Elizabethans, Prof. Hale, Mr. Gosse, and the editor. Vol. ii. (from Ben Jonson to Dryden): Jonson, Prof. A. W. Ward; Drummond, the editor; Browne, Wither, and Habington, Mr. W. T. Arnold; Herrick, Carew, Waller, and other Caroline Poets, Mr. Gosse; Marvell, Mr. Goldwin Smith; Milton, Mr. Mark Pattison; Minor Restoration Poets, Mr. Gosse and Mr. W. E. Henley; and Dryden, Prof. A. W. Ward. Vols. iii. and iv., completing the work, will go down to Clough and Landor, and will contain contributions from many of the above, and from Mr. Swinburne, Sir Henry Taylor, Mr. Frederick Myers and others. These volumes will be published early next year.

BOOKS WANTED.

In answering, always state condition and price.

BOWEN, STEWART & CO., INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Winters' Border Lands of Insanity. Putnams.
Sims' Life of Bayard.
Dante, as Poet, Philos., etc. Botta. Roberts.
Martin's History of France.
Eddy's Angel Whispers.
Ballentyne's Testimony of Jesus.
W. W. Story's Life of Story.
Francis' Bank of England. N. Y. Ed.
New Purchase. First edition.
New Purchase. Latest edition.
Sumner's Works. Vols. 8 and 10, 12°, green cl.
Life of J. Q. Adams. Vol. 2, 8°, brown cl.

H. D. CHAPIN, COR. MADISON AND DEARBORN STS., CHICAGO, ILL.

Precaution,
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Miles Wallingford,
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Oak Opening.
} Cooper's Novels—Townsend ed., 1859-'60, only.

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J. P. DES FORGES, BALTIMORE, MD.

Boy's Own Book. Extended.
Girl's Own Book. Mrs. Child.
Scott's Poems. 12 vols. Edinburgh.
Niles' Register. Vols. 62 to 75, 4°.

J. MUNSELL, 82 STATE ST., ALBANY, N. Y.

Hyde Genealogy. 2 vols., 1864.

A. D. F. RANDOLPH & CO., 900 BROADWAY, N. Y.

Stuart Sterne's Poems. Patterson, 1874.

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Wanted cheap.

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COMPLETE sets of all the leading *Magazines and Reviews*, and back numbers of some three thousand different periodicals, for sale, cheap, at the AMERICAN AND FOREIGN MAGAZINE DEPOT, 47 Dey Street, New York.

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A GENTLEMAN of fourteen years' experience in the book business desires an engagement. Can make himself valuable to a school-book or subscription-book publisher. City references. Address Daniel, Station "A," New York.

A YOUNG man, just of age, well recommended, seeks occupation in the book-trade. Has served a regular apprenticeship in a very large retail establishment, and is well acquainted with books and editions. Address L., 39 Highland Street, Roxbury, Mass.

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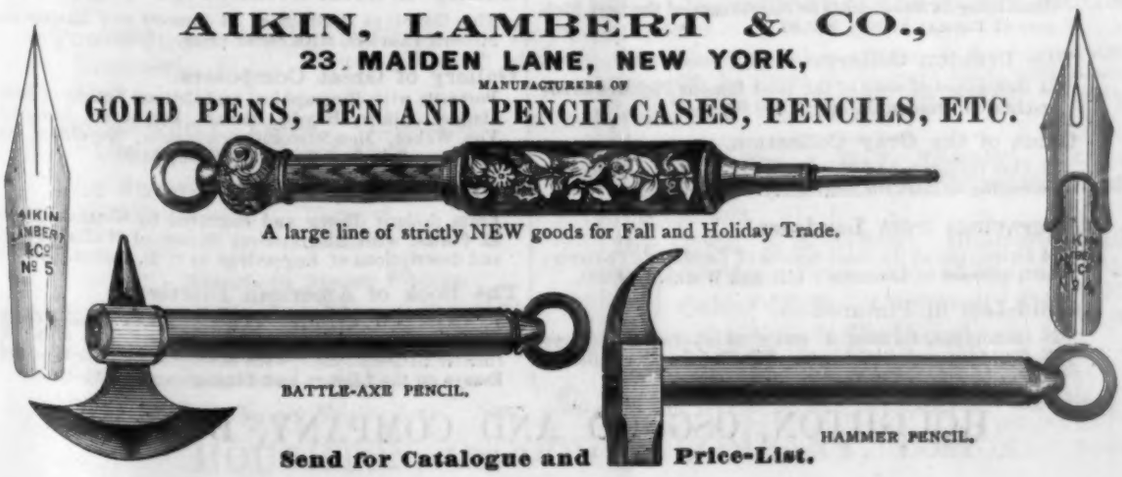

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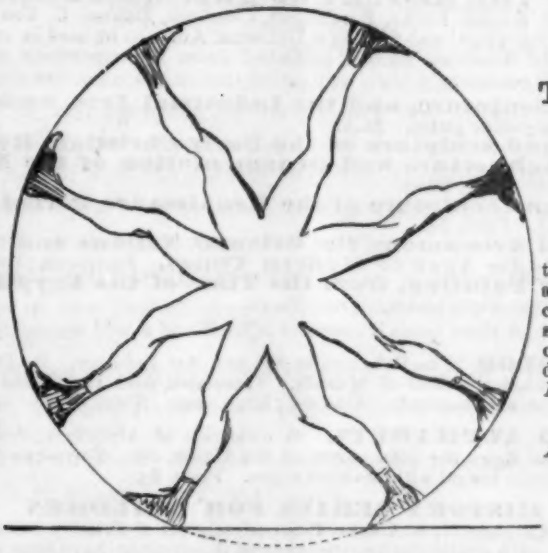

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